

My greetings to each one of you! It seems only a short time ago that you were my pupils. You all have helped to enrich my life - I hope I've helped you a little.

This tribute tonight is wonderful. you are indeed my friends and I love you all dearly. It is heart-warming to see you here in ^{tribute to} my half century's ^{my work with} teaching. I'm so proud of you - proud of your success in life and you are look prosperous and prosperous.

Thank you for this honor you have brought to me - for the sweet tributes you have paid me and for your generous plan for my happiness. I am deeply grateful - ^{continuing}

May you all have full rich lives and conduct yourselves in such an honorable way that you may keep making this world a better place in which to live.